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FOR SIMONS FROM SCHMIDT

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OGEN

SUBJECT: OFFICIAL/INFORMAL

1. EARTHQUAKE AID. WE UNDERSTAND QUESTION ON ASSISTANCE TO ROMANIA MAY BE RAISED VERY SOON BY HAMILTON SUBCOMMITTEE OF HIRC. IF SO, WE WILL BE HARD PUT TO EXPLAIN WHY THE \$13 MILLION WE REQUESTED SO URGENTLY AND WHICH HAS BEEN AVAILABLE SINCE OCTOBER 31 HAS STILL NOT BEEN COMMITTED. ACCORDING TO OUR FILES, THE GOR HAS BEEN REVIEWING THE GRANT AGREEMENT SINCE NOVEMBER 10. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR VIEWS ON WHY THIS PROCESS HAS BEEN DRAGGING ON FOR SO LONG AND WHEN IT IS LIKELY TO CONCLUDE. SUBCOMMITTEE MAY WELL ASK WHETHER FUNDS NOT SPENT ALMOST ONE YEAR AFTER EARTHQUAKE ARE STILL APPROPRIATE FOR INTENDED PURPOSE.

2. BACKGROUND NOTES. WE ARE BEING PRESSED FOR A DRAFT IN ORDER TO MEET PRINTING DEADLINE FOR PUBLICATION BEFORE  
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